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INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ADMINISTRATION

Office of the Director

Washington 25, D. C.

January 6, 1958

Honorable Theodore F. Green
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations
United States Senate
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The President, on January 3, 1958, determined, pursuant to Section 103(b) of the Mutual Defense Assistance Control Act of 1951, that United States aid be continued to Argentina and the Netherlands because the cessation of such aid would be clearly detrimental to the security interests of the United States. The President, in his letter to me directing that aid be continued, has also directed that, in compliance with the reporting requirement of Section 103(b) of the Mutual Defense Assistance Control Act of 1951, I inform you of his determination, to which purpose this letter, with enclosure is sent.

In addition to my recommendation on Argentina and the Netherlands, the attached letter of December 31, 1957 from me to the President, also contains information about certain other shipments to the bloc which involve special considerations. Because of security considerations, this cover letter, and my letter to the President, have been classified SECRET.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ J. H. Smith, Jr.

Enclosures:

Letter of December 31, 1957 from Director of ICA to the President relative to Section 103(b) of the MDAC Act of 1951.

Similar letter are sent to the Chairmen of the Senate Committees on Armed Services and Appropriations, and to the Speaker of the House for referral to the Chairmen of the Committees on Foreign Affairs, Armed Services, and Appropriations.